

Home and Abroad

GAFFNEY ADMITS
BRAVES DICKERING
FOR BUCK HERZOG

New York, Jan. 1.—James E. Gaffney, president of the Boston Nationals, in town for a few days, yesterday admitted that he was after Charlie Herzog of the Cincinnati club, but was not willing to give what Herrmann asked for the player.

"We are willing to pay big money for Herzog, for we believe that with this hustling player we could win the pennant, and that is what we want to do next season."

No reference was made to Maranville. If the Braves could get Herzog from the Reds for cash, the chances are that he would play third base, as Smith fell off last season, probably because of the broken leg he sustained at the close of 1914.

Gaffney talked about the baseball situation. "I am not sure," he said, "that George Stallings will not go after any of the Federal League players. The best of the Feds will more than likely find their way to the Cubs of Chicago and the Browns of Cleveland. As the new owners of those clubs are Federal League men and will have the first call on their old players, I am not sure but what this will be a good thing for all, too."

It looks as if Colonel Ruppert would secure several good players for the Highlanders. We are all anxious to see winning ball teams in New York, for it helps the game in other cities.

BROWN GRIDIRON
HEROES AND WASH.
STATE PLAY TODAY

Peasden, Cal., Jan. 1.—Brown University and Washington State College opened the 1916 football season today, when they met in a big intercollegiate battle in the city of Peasden. While both eleven closed their regular seasons about a month ago, they have been training hard for the contest on the coast.

Reports indicate that both teams are in fine condition for the game. The Brown players have been on the coast several days, getting accustomed to the climate and finishing up their practice for the contest. A big crowd is expected to turn out to see the game.

MORAN TO PILOT
PHILLIES 3 YEARS

Fitchburg, Mass., Jan. 1.—Pat Moran, manager of the Philadelphia National League club, signed and forwarded his contract yesterday to the manager of the team, who is expected to take charge of the team without a defeat.

The terms were agreed upon at a recent conference with President William Baker.

BINZEN OF FORDHAM
INDOOR TENNIS CHAMP

New York, Jan. 1.—Elliott Binzen, of Fordham, is the new national junior indoor tennis champion. He is the first real junior champion in the history of the game; he is the only one; there never was another. The boys' tournament for the national title, which ended at the Seventh Regiment Armory yesterday, was the first of its kind ever held.

Binzen's opponent in the final and titular match was James Webb, of Chicago, and a student of Phillips Andover; but unlike the football players of Andover, so far as their success with the Phillips Exeter players for the last few years is concerned, Webb made a real fight of the match. The score was 6-3, 7-5, 3-6, 6-2.

HARVARD STARS HAVE
OFFERS TO TAKE CHARGE
OF PREP SCHOOL TEAMS

Members of Percy D. Haughton's select football team at Harvard can step from the gridiron into teaching positions in schools and academies of New England if they want jobs immediately after their graduation, says the Springfield Republican. At the Harvard appointment office there are already many applications from "prep" school faculties when another fall comes around.

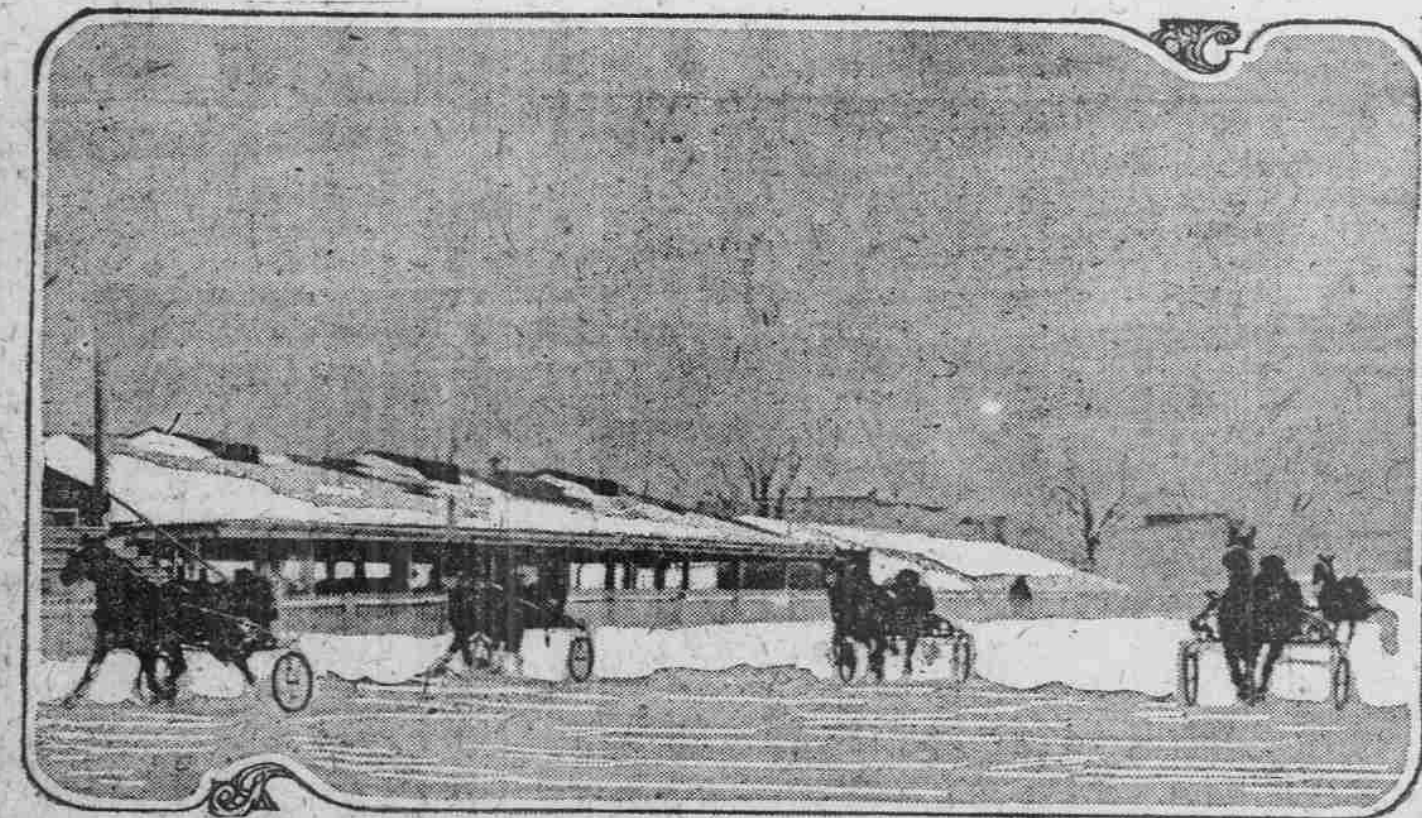
Haughton football has made a resounding hit with "prep" schools, and they want his pupils to train theirs. A man who has studied three years of football under Haughton, and has taken four years of work in the university, is qualified to teach in some subject in the schoolroom and football on the gridiron, so the players are in demand.

The Harvard appointment office recently issued a statement saying that a year ago the demands for such men were greater than the supply, and this year the applications for the double-barrel tutors are coming in fast. Ernest W. Soucy, end on the Harvard team has one of the best offers under consideration now. St. Mark's school at Southboro has offered him the position of football coach for next year, provided he will teach some subject in the school in addition to training the football squad at the exclusive "prep" school of Soucy has not yet made up his mind.

According to the report of the office, last year students who were supplied with positions through the medium of the bureau made \$22,916 in salaries. The appointments were scattered over 34 states, Hawaii, the Philippines and Canada.

LATEST TIDINGS FROM SPORTLAND

Edited by Wagner

GRAND CIRCUIT PERFORMERS NOW COMPETING
ON CANADIAN ICE TROTTING TRACKS

Toronto, Canada, Dec. 27.—The ice racing season is now on. Horses from all over are on hand, and some spirited races are in store for the devotees of the sport. This season the circuit will have 30 days' racing, with eight days at the Toronto Driving Club meeting at Hillcrest, which opened Dec. 22, followed by four more days at Dufferin park, the other Toronto half mile track. The scene will then shift to Montreal, where another 12 days will keep the horsemen busy. Like Toronto, Montreal is represented by two tracks on the ice circuit in Delorimer park and Mount Royal. The latter is the new track just opened this fall, and at this close the horsemen will tackle a mile circuit for the first time in the history of the ice game. Ottawa will close the season with a six-day meeting over the famous Hudd river course. It is here that ice racing is witnessed at its best, owing to the natural ice track. Incidentally, the conditions are generally what the people in the Sunny South picture them—30 and 40 degrees below zero. Imagine driving a hard pulling pacer or trotter under these conditions; but then one gets used to it, and a little thing like a frozen ear, nose or foot does not bother those that attend these events. In the past American horsemen have looked upon ice racing with disdain, but when horses like Joe Patchen II and others rated as A1 performers more than held their own with competitors on the grand circuit, horsemen began to take notice and think that, after all, some good must come out of ice racing. The same is a great educator for green horses and protector for the owner, for no matter how fast they travel over the ice the record thus obtained will not interfere with their plans for the following summer. Picture shows horses trotting on ice at Dufferin park.

SPORT TALK

HANDED OUT
BY WAGNER

Try to Tempt Zeller.

The New England magnates who seek to revive a merger with the Eastern Association have been trying to tempt Jack Zeller to desert his colleagues by offering him the New Haven franchise if he will cast his lot with the merger crowd.

The combination, as planned by the men who gathered in Boston a few days ago, did not include Pittsfield, where Zeller owns a club. In order to repay Zeller for dropping Pittsfield it was suggested that he could have the valuable Elm City franchise and assurances were given that he could get the Savin Rock grounds. Meanwhile Zeller is setting the Eastern circuit into shape and an announcement that the league has been organized for 1916 is expected next week.

Basketball Double Bill

The Naugatuck basketball players who meet the Blue Ribbons at Colonial hall next Tuesday night are so confident of victory that they will come here for expenses if they lose and \$100 if they win. They can use any state player but will not be allowed to import New York players. To start the new year well, Manager Leavy has provided a double bill for the fans. In the first game the Ribbons will play Joe Jeannette's team from New York.

Rebel Oakes, the former St. Louis player who managed the Pittsburgh Federals last season, says he will quit baseball and devote his time to his big plantation at Homer, La., unless he can land a job as manager of a big league club. If Ed Gwinn, the Federal magnate, should buy the Cleveland club, Oakes would probably

be made manager. It is all right for him to talk now about quitting the game but there are so many players on the market at present that the magnates can't be bluffed any more.

Manager Joe Tinker of the Chicago Cubs will put 33 players on the auction block as a result of the combination of National and Federal clubs in that city. Jack Murray and Wilbur Good, the Cub outfielders, are two of the best known players booked to go. Pitcher Humphries is another man who would be an addition to many big league clubs.

Either Frank Moran or Jim Coffey has a chance to tackle Champion Jess Willard in New York next Friday and New Orleans promoters have offered \$7,500 to the winner to step into the same ring with Willard. Coffey's manager doesn't think \$7,500 makes enough noise but perhaps his man will lose the bout to Moran and then there won't be any chance to quibble.

Ed Roush, the Newark Federal outfielder who is wanted by the Giants, claims to be a free agent. When the peace agreement was signed Roush had not signed a contract. He jumped to the Feds from the Western League and Manager Stallings of the Braves declared he was the best outfielder in the Federal circuit.

Tip O'Neill, a famous old time player, died suddenly yesterday on a Montreal street car. He was an outfielder with Comiskey's St. Louis Browns, who won four pennants in a row in the old days. O'Neill was 58 years old.

WHITE SOX AND GANTS
PLAN SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP

Will First Visit Panama and Then Tour Southern Countries.

New York, Jan. 1.—With the baseball war at an end, Ted Sullivan of Chicago, the veteran baseball promoter, is already planning to carry out Manager John J. McGraw's idea of touring South America next season with two baseball clubs made up of stars from the National and American Leagues.

Soon after the successful trip around the world by the Giants and the Chicago White Sox, Manager McGraw, with Charles Comiskey and Sullivan, talked over the South American tour but on account of the invasion of the Federal League and the decrease in interest in baseball the plan was temporarily abandoned.

In the interests of Comiskey and McGraw, Ted Sullivan has visited Washington and conferred with the delegates of the Pan-American Scientific Congress in regard to the trip. One of the clubs will probably be the Chicago White Sox and McGraw will make up the other club from National League players.

There is much interest in baseball in Panama, where there is a league of five clubs, made up mostly of American engineers, who have been working on the canal. The plan of the baseball party next winter is to first visit Panama and play several exhibition games there. The party then plans to visit South America and make the

trip down the east coast, around the cape, and up the west coast.

South America is one part of the globe where professional baseball clubs have never touched. The game is played down there by Americans, but it has never been taken up in a professional way. The South American delegates in Washington were enthusiastic over the plans which Mr. Sullivan laid before them, and there seems to be little doubt that the tour will be carried out as first planned by Manager McGraw.

McGraw is also enthusiastic about the trip, and predicts that it will be even more successful than the tour around the world two years ago.

"The trip we took around the world," said Mr. McGraw yesterday, "was one of the best things that ever happened for baseball. It gave foreign countries a new impression of our idea of sportsmanship, and I think that if the war hadn't come soon after we visited England that our national game would have taken a foothold there."

Manager McGraw planned to be in Cuba at this time, but his trip has been deferred because of the unsettled condition of baseball, and it is likely that he will remain here until after the meeting in Cincinnati next week.

GIANTS HOPE TO
GRAB KAUFF BY
RULING OF COURT

New York, Jan. 1.—John B. Foster, Secretary of the Giants, took occasion yesterday to once more spike the report that the Giants are going to be sold to Harry S. Sinclair, the man whose millions stopped the fight between the Feds and organized baseball.

Secretary Foster stated that Harry N. Hempstead, the biggest stockholder of the Giants has not discussed the sale of the club with Sinclair during the last six weeks.

Mr. Hempstead, according to Foster, met the oil man and other Federal League club owners here and in Cincinnati at the peace meetings, and while they talked on the outlook for the ensuing season to gain control of the club.

Sinclair, some time ago, offered \$1,250,000 for sixty-two shares of the Giants' stock, controlled by Hempstead and Ashley Lloyd, but this offer was turned down and the negotiations were called off. Sinclair recently declared in St. Louis that he was through with baseball.

The New York club is going ahead with its plans for next season and Manager McGraw is working hard trying to get players to strengthen his team. McGraw knows that every club in the two major leagues will have added strength in some position or other, and if he fails to rebuild his broken machine, next season will find the Giants again at the bottom of the list.

The chances of the Giants securing the services of Benny Kauff, the much sought after outfielder, are good. Phil Ball, who now owns both the St. Louis Federals and St. Louis Americans, has offered to sell Kauff to the American League with a pennant winning team, and Sinclair, who is his personal friend, has promised to help him accomplish that. The Sinclair controls not only Kauff, but a majority of the former Federal stars, and it is almost certain Ball will have first pick of all the players owned by Sinclair.

The deal, however, may secure Benny through a decision of the court. The suit instituted by Kauff for the bonus of \$5,000 will come up shortly and if Benny wins the Giants will have to assume the three-year contract he signed with the New York club last season.

This contract was signed by Kauff after the New York club's lawyers assured the outfielder that the Brooklyn Federal League club had no claim on his services. President Hempstead promised Kauff that as soon as he affixed his signature to a contract he would hand over to him five \$1,000 bills.

President Hempstead is anxious for the case to come up. The general opinion prevails that Kauff will be awarded to the New York team. If the decision is the other way, Kauff will probably land with the St. Louis Browns. With them he would have an opportunity to fight Ty Cobb for premier honors.

BRIEF NEWS NOTES

German Field Marshal von Hindenburg will go to Belgrade to confer with Field Marshal von Mackensen.

The Dutch steamship Ellewoutsdijk, was sunk in the North Sea, presumably by a mine. The crew was saved.

A quarterly dividend of \$1 a share was declared on the preferred stock of the Boston Urban Electric Co. Dividends—v.

Marino Falamini, 24 years old, was run down and killed by a truck at Houston and Varick streets, New York.

An investigation of the gasoline price situation in Chicago was started by District Attorney Clyne of that city.

NATIONAL SPORT COUNCIL
LIKELY TO BE ORGANIZED

Inter-City Revolver Tournament Discussed—Other Sporting Comment.

New York, Jan. 1.—As a result of the various meetings and conferences held in New York city during the Christmas holidays to consider amateur and college athletics it is likely that a national sport council will be formed in the near future to act as a supreme court of sport. The proposition has been discussed by the leading authorities and officials of a number of sport-governing bodies and the formation of the council will probably be undertaken within the next few months.

While the powers and objects of the council are at present rather vaguely outlined it has been suggested that the council be composed of the presidents of the principal sport-governing bodies such as the national golf, tennis, billiard, college athletic, amateur athletic, soccer and intercollegiate football, fencing, shooting, skating and kindred organizations. This council, if formed, would consider the affairs of amateur sport in a broad and impersonal manner. Its powers would be limited in a general way to advisory suggestions bearing upon new rulings for the improvement of sport in its national aspects. Organizations specifically effected by such suggestions would not be obligated to accept the same but it is thought that such an amateur sports-clearing house would materially improve conditions and bring about greater harmony and co-operation among the various associations now controlling the principal amateur sports of the nation.

Twenty clubs representing almost as many cities have entered teams in the annual inter-city tournament of the United States Revolver association. The teams will consist of not more than ten men and pistols and revolvers are admitted on even terms, with the scores of the leading five to count. Fifteen shots per man will be allowed and the highest possible score for the individual will be 150; for a team, 750. The teams will shoot on their home ranges under the supervision of the association officials and the targets will be forwarded to the secretary for final scoring. Last season the scores

were 25 shots per man. It is believed that the change to 15 shots will be an improvement and result in putting more newcomers on the teams. The following affiliated clubs enter teams: Yoda Tennis club of Havana, Rifle and Revolver club of New York, Manito Pistol and Rifle club of Spokane, Dallas Rifle and Revolver club, Providence Revolver club, Belleville Rifle and Revolver club of Belleville, Ill., Portland (Ore.) Revolver club, a team from the Cincinnati Revolver association, Seattle Rifle and Revolver association, Boston Rifle and Revolver association, Spokane Rifle and Revolver club, Citizens' Rifle and Revolver club of Rochester, Olympic Rifle and Revolver association, a team from the Illinois State Revolver association of Chicago, Pittsburgh Revolver and Rifle club, Springfield Revolver club, Youngstown Rifle and Revolver club, St. Louis-Colonial Revolver club, Baltimore Revolver club.

An announcement from London of the death of W. A. Loveley, for many years a famous English billiard expert, recalls the fact that it was he who was credited with originating the "anchor stroke." Loveley was said to have discovered the stroke and its possibilities by accident. After considerable practice he used it in public and on one occasion made a run of 2,486 "canons." Since that time, however, other professional players who took it up found that they could score on this stroke almost interminably so that in the rules of match play it was found necessary to limit the "anchor" to a score of 25.

The delegates to the annual meeting of the United States Golf association at Chicago on January 14, will have the opportunity to vote the National Open Championship of 1915 to one of four clubs, three of which are situated in the middle west. The clubs in the field for the open are: Kent Country club of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Minikahda club of Minneapolis, Minn.; Country club of Detroit, Mich.; and the Englewood Country club of Englewood, N. J.

ST. LOUIS AFTER
SHERWOOD MAGEE
OF BOSTON CLUB

St. Louis, Jan. 1.—Manager Miller Huggins of the Cardinals is hot on the trail of Sherwood Magee, champion timely batsman of the Braves, and has offered Manager Stallings the pick of any three men on his prospective discard list, which now includes Dolan, Hyatt, Robinson, Griner, Perdue, Niehaus and Glenn. As Stallings is known to be particularly interested in the first-named, the diminutive pilot of the Cardinals feels sure he can pull the deal off.

Huggins thinks there is a lot more baseball in Magee than he showed last year and believes, with the hot weather of the Mound City to help out, he can get better results with the slugger than could the Boston boss.

DEATH STOPPED
PAINTING PICTURE
OF TOM SHEVLIN

New Haven, Jan. 1.—Even while Tom Shevlin, at his home in Minneapolis, was bucking the foe he could not down his features were being transferred to canvases in this city for the inspiration of future heroes of the gridiron. Frances Sullivan, portrait painter, was about to take up his work on a recently started picture of the Mideast Man when a telegram informed him of Shevlin's death.

"I saw him just a week ago," said Mr. Sullivan. "He was the picture of health. There was not a thing the matter with him. I brought this photograph east with me to give me a start on the portrait, so that there would be fewer sittings when he came here on his way to Florida on February 1."

Mr. Sullivan received the order for the painting when he visited Minneapolis to superintend the hanging of a picture he had just finished of Shevlin's father. The first time he ever saw Shevlin was when the football star dropped into his studio, at 39 West Sixty-seventh street, just after the Princeton game last fall, and asked him to paint his father's picture. It was also planned that he should paint Shevlin's five-year-old daughter.

"His two children are beautiful," Mr. Sullivan continued, "especially the little five-year-old girl. He wanted me to catch her before she ceased being a baby, before she grew up and lost her milk teeth. I imagine Mrs. Shevlin will still want me to do that."

ANNIVERSARIES
OF RING BATTLES

1900—Dal Hawkins knocked out Patsy Sweeney in 2nd round at Hartford. Patsy was a County Galway boy who had been fighting for over three years and had never been whipped. He had defeated Kid Lavigne, Kid Broad, Marty McCue, Joe Handler and other good odds, and looked like a coming champion. He went up against the deadly punch of Hawkins. Dal wasn't a champion, having nothing much but a terrific punch, but when he got over that wallop it was coming strong and he went up against the deadly punch of Hawkins. Dal's left hook didn't travel far, but it was full of sleep dope, and it usually took the recipient by surprise. It put Sweeney off his stride, and shortly afterward the Kilbride fell a victim to George McFadden. Patsy

JOHNNY DRUMMIE
EXPECTS TO BEAT
YOUNG MAULIFFE

Johnny Drummie, who claims to be the logical contender for the featherweight title, will meet Young Mauliffe in the star 15-round bout at the Casino Jan. 10. Now that Champion Johnny Kilbane has determined to forsake the featherweight division for the lightweight ranks Drummie thinks he has a chance for the crown.

McAuliffe, who holds the New England title, is not willing to concede Drummie a right to precede him and is expecting to pin a defeat on



JOHNNY DRUMMIE.

the Jersey City boy. Drummie will train in Waterbury where he has many admirers. McAuliffe is working at Battling Levinsky's camp in Stratford.

Larry Williams, the Stratford boy who has been knocking 'em out in recent bouts, will take on Sam McFadden in an eight-round encounter. That flash of lightning, Jerome Hennessey of Jersey City, will meet Tommy Shea of New Haven in another eight-round go. Kid Albert and Mike Farrel will box in the preliminary.

The show is under the auspices of the Park City A. C. and Battling Levinsky is taking charge of all arrangements.

A secret session of the Peruvian Senate finance commission ratified the government project for a loan of \$15,000,000.

Continued fighting for several years, but after the Hawkins fight he was never seriously considered as a title contender.

1907—Joe Gage knocked out Kid Herman in 8th round at Tonopah, Nev.

POLICE ON HAND
AS ABERG BEATS
"MASKED MARVEL"

New York, Jan. 1.—The "Masked Marvel," Mort Henderson, the sensation of the wrestling tournament at the Manhattan Opera House, met his Waterloo last night when he was decisively defeated by Alexander Aberg, champion Graco-Roman wrestler of the world, after a grueling struggle of one hour and 31 minutes. Only the night before they had grappled to a long draw. Aberg won by wearing his man out.

The bout was graced by the presence of a squad of police, who had come to prevent cruelty to the "Marvel." After a minute's rest in the wings he walked out unsupported. When he left the cheering throng, "Marvel" was in normal condition, upsetting the charge that he was in a dangerous physical condition.

Some excited person reached the conclusion that the "Marvel" as a result of constant finish matches had degenerated into a physical wreck. His imagination pictured the hooded grappler collapsing during his contest with Aberg and being carried groaning to an ambulance.

McGRAW FINED YOUNG
PITCHER \$50 BECAUSE
HE ATTEMPTED TO JOKE

McGraw had a pitcher named Elliott, and for some reason or other McGraw insisted upon the rookie warming up every afternoon during the game. Elliott occupied the bullpen for four straight months without ever breaking into the box score. McGraw missed his usual signal one afternoon and forgot to send Elliott to the "pen."

McGraw eplied Elliott on the bench. "What are you doing here? Get out. Get out; down there and warm up."

Elliott picked up a ball out of the bag and went on a juggling act in front of Muggsy.

"What's the idea?" queried McGraw. "I've been warming up for four months," answered Elliott, "and I'm just limbering up for next year now."

The penalty was a \$50 fine.

Owen Ziegler, at 45,
Is Successful Farmer

Very few pugilists have come from the rural districts—Jesse Willard being a notable exception—and fewer still go back to the farm after they retire from the ring. John L. Sullivan has at last settled down to the life of a country gentleman, and Bob Fitzsimmons tried the bucolic thing in New York's best thing he ever raised was a mortgage. The vast majority of the ring veterans stick around the big cities, however, and you could probably count on the fingers of a champion's man the fighters who have made good as other men. Baseball players who double as horny-handed tillers of the soil have in plenty, but the fighters seem to prefer the region of the white lights.

Probably the most successful farmer to be found in the ranks of the ring artists is Owen Ziegler, who used to be a top-notch among the lightweight champions, and who, as an amateur boxer for several years before he went after the coin, and in 1891 won the amateur championship of America, defeating seven men in two nights. He also won the title of champion of the world with a theatrical company, meeting all comers, back in 1901, and these bouts, added to his amateur and professional contests, make an amazing total.

Ziegler is now a farmer in Schenectady county, New York, where he owns 200 acres, and raises chickens and hogs and potatoes and cows and other flora and fauna. Owen has not lost his interest in the ring game, and he recently took an active part in the New York benefit for his old rival, George Lavigne.

Owen was twenty-one when he started his professional career in Pennsylvania. Although a lightweight, he found welters and middleweights, and on one occasion in Ohio he tackled a heavyweight named Wilkins, fighting with six gloves, and put him to sleep in thirty-seven rounds. Ziegler won most of his early bouts by knockouts, and in 1894 got a draw with Jack McAuliffe. In 1895 he fought a two-fight round draw with Jack Everhard in New Orleans. Ziegler's first defeat came in 1896, when he lost a ten-round bout with George Green, the welterweight champion, in San Francisco. He fought Green again the next year, and the original "Young Corbett" put the Pennsylvanian to sleep in the first round. While on the coast he defeated the hard-hitting Dal Hawkins and Eddie Connelly. In 1898 Ziegler fought two draws with Matty Matthews, but lost decisions to Kid McPartland and Jack Daly. Owen fought two more draws with Matthews the next year, but in 1900 he was knocked out by Matty in the second round at Niles, O. Later that year Ziegler fought Eddie Connelly, the Canadian, at Hartford for the alleged "welterweight championship," and knocked him out in the second round. After a theatrical tour he returned to the ring and fought several battles in Savannah, but although he continued to fight until 1905, when he was defeated by Cy Flynn in Buffalo, he was distinctly a has-been.

While he was still fighting Ziegler also conducted a training camp near New York and helped to prepare many famous boxers, including Jim Corbett, Gus Ruhlin, Oscar Gardner, George McFadden, Tommy White, Tommy Sullivan and Terry McGovern.

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